













Sandwich Independent

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Outing at the Hermitage

On Saturday and Sunday June 11th and 12th our fellow townsman Thos. Burton Kinraide, entertained at his country residence, The Hermitage, on the shores of Spectacle pond, the Williams club of Boston, of which he is the president. The party of thirty came from the city in the driving rain storm by automobile by way of Plymouth, making the run in good time and with no serious mishap.

The party found good cheer, warmth and refreshment awaiting them and soon forgot the storm. The day was spent in indoor sports though some of the more ardent sportsmen dressed in oilskins braved the rain and tried their luck at fishing. Landlord Cooney of the Central House, Sandwich, with a corps of attendants provided beautiful meals and lunches of seasonable and tempting eatables and provided for the inner man. In the evening an initiation ceremony was performed for the benefit of two new members and the party joined in song and story.

On Sunday, in the morning the weather was more propitious and the party spent the time in walks about the estate, boating on the pond and entertaining visiting friends. At three o'clock a special meeting of the club convened and a suitable framed picture of the late William H. Williams, for whom the club is named, was presented to Mr. Kinraide in the name of the club. It was announced in the course of the presentation that at the same hour a wreath was being laid on the grave of Brother Williams at Forest Hills. It may be interesting to note that the club is a voluntary self-supporting association of the members of Joseph Webb Lodge, F. & A.M., Boston, who meet at stated times during the year for sociability, the purpose of the organization being primarily to exemplify certain social principles entertained by Brother Williams and to promote sociability among its members, affording an opportunity to make and perpetuate friendships.

At all the meetings, which are held on the 12th of the month, Brother Williams birthday having been June 12th, a toast is given to the memory of Brother Williams and appropriate remarks and reminiscences given by some member of the club, which includes many of his personal friends. It may be remembered that in his will he gave the residue of his large property to the Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts for the establishment of a Masonic home for the needy members of the fraternity, which will no doubt later be incorporated into and be made a part of the Masonic home established by the Grand Lodge at Charlton, Mass. Mr. Kinraide was one of the founders and has been the president of the club since its formation.

After the presentation the meeting adjourned to partake of a banquet prepared by Landlord Coomey, and served in a spacious tent erected for the purpose. Suitable resolutions were offered tendering thanks to Mr. Kinraide, and to the members of his household, who contributed to the success of the outing. Mr. Kinraide in his response gave an entertaining description of the historic region in and about Sandwich touching upon the King Philip war and relating anecdotes of former residents, Webster, Cleveland and Jefferson.

After dinner adjournment was made to the camp, where a social evening was passed. A few of the guests returned to Boston by the afternoon train, but a majority remained over night making a leisurely journey home by way of Plymouth and the south shore, taking leave of their host at his home in Jamaica Plain, where they personally expressed to Mr. Kinraide and his family their appreciation for the courtesies extended to them.

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A handsome brown owl, shot a few days ago by T. B. Kinraide, is on exhibition in McCann's window.

8 February 1912

Selectman Laban P. Crocker has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Kinraide at their home in Jamaica Plain. Mr. Crocker has recently presented Mr. and Mrs. Kinraide an original sketch of the clipper ship in which he sailed when a young man.

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SANDWICH - Leaves three tubes of Radium

In the estate of the late Thomas B. Kinraide of this town, who died recently in California, an unusual and interesting discovery was made.

The San Francisco Chronicle furnishes the following information: Three tubes found among the effects of the late Thomas B. Kinraide were labeled as containing altogether 1550 milligrams of radium.

The public administrator, Amos O. Williams, sent the tubes to the United States Bureau of Standards at Washington for analysis.

The tubes are supposed to contain \$80,000 worth of radium.

Several from Sandwich attended the funeral services for Thomas Burton Kinraide, which were held from his late home in Jamaica Plain. Mr. Kinraide's death came as a great shock to his host of friends in Sandwich. When he resided here, his many acts of kindness and his generosity to those in trouble and sickness will long be remembered. He loved the old town and its people.









